

Veterans' Program

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King County Veterans' Program Advisory Board
Meeting Summary
January 18, 2011
10:30 am – Noon
Renton WorkSource

Call to Order

King County Advisory Board, Co- Chair Doug Hoople called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Rick Woodruff, Doug Hoople, Lyle Stevenson, Eugene Vojir, Ray Tomlinson, Art Dammkoehler, Debra Wood, Roger Welles, Bill Wood, Harry Brown, Carroll Fisher, Eddie Jensen, Thomas Leonard, David Waggoner

Board Members Excused/Absent

Bill Metcalf, Stan Gunno

County Staff Present

Fred Steele DCHS – King County Veterans Program Fran Nowak DCHS – King County Veterans Program Rita Sanchez DCHS – King County Veterans Program Joel Estey DCHS – King County Veterans Program

Guests Present

Review of Meeting Summary

ACTION: Minutes for November 2010 and December 2010 were approved.

Committee Reports

Appeals: No Appeals

Budget & Finance: No reports, Budget committee did not meet.

<u>Programs</u>: Debra Wood – discussed the gathering of information for a letter of support to the King County Executive and Councilmembers in support of the 2011 Veterans and Human Services Levy. Debra will bring the letter to the next meeting for comments and signatures.

Monthly Reports: Fred Steele – introduced Fran Nowak Lead Social Worker for Satellite Services. Fran reported that since inception, Satellite Services have seen clients 1,481 times through all sites. Fran reported that after careful monitoring of all sites one additional site in Carnation was added in 2010 bringing total satellite sites to eight, which include Maple Valley, Auburn, Federal Way, Redmond, Lake City, Kirkland, Carnation, and Enumclaw. Fran also reported that 80% of all available hours for client services were utilized in direct assistance.



Marketing is also a key component to the success of the program. Community relationships have been developed and close collaboration is a vital asset to the effectiveness of the services and growth of the satellite sites. The satellite calendar is also distributed electronically to an expanding distribution list of agencies throughout King County. Programs brochures are liberally distributed and the days and times of service availability are clearly listed on the KCVP website.

Fred Steele - Discussed the financial services provided by the Veterans Program and provided background information regarding the accomplishments of the King County Veterans Program. The total program statistics were compared for the twelve months of 2010 to the twelve months of 2009. Total number of office visits to all KCVP offices increased over the previous year by 5.4 %, with the Seattle office decreasing 10.5%, the Renton office increasing 50% and Satellite Sites increasing 392%. This statistical analysis confirmed the need for services throughout King County and that the new satellite sites helped to moderate the heavy client load at the Seattle office. The number of female veterans increased by almost 22% in 2010 vs. 2009 and confirms the strength of the program in serving previously underserved populations.

<u>Levy</u>: Doug Hoople-discussed the Veterans and Human Services Levy and Strategic Plan and meetings being held around King County in 2011.

Strategy #1: Enhancing services and access for veterans

Strategy #2: Ending homelessness:

Strategy #3: Behavioral health services:

Strategy #5: Resource management and evaluation

Doug wanted to remind the board that Roger Welles is nominated for the VCLOB.

Speaking engagements: No speaking engagement reports

<u>Publicity:</u> Post an announcement in the newspaper and/or KCVP website for the upcoming election and business meeting on February 28, 2011.

<u>Legislative</u>: No legislative and finance reports

Old Business

Rick Woodruff – discussed the KCVP Advisory Board meeting times. The KCVP Advisory Board voted to maintain the morning meetings in the Renton location.

New Business - None

Next Meeting - February 15, 2011

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Meeting with Iraq/Afghanistan veterans at VFW 2995 - April 8, 2011, 7:00 pm

American Legion hosting annual meeting on March 4 - 6, 2011

Adjourn - Meeting adjourned at Noon.

